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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Central Reference Service

SUBJECT : Request for Message Forwarding Assistance

1. The Office of Communications Statistical Reporting System (STRES) encompasses cable traffic statistics and is based upon monthly report messages from each CIA installation connected to the Agency communications system. The Office of Joint Computer Support (OJCS) is programming a system to extract and manipulate the data in order to produce meaningful management reports and summaries. We need to get the messages received by our Message Automatic Exchange (MAX) switch to OJCS files.

2. Members of our respective staffs and of OJCS have discussed the requirement for moving the STRES messages between OC and OJCS and have determined that the MAD system has the capability to provide the OC/OJCS interface. Technical details have been resolved to the satisfaction of all involved components. The purpose of this memorandum is to request your concurrence for use of the MAD system to perform the interface function. Details are briefly outlined in the following paragraph.

3. The messages are received in the MAX system from approximately [redacted] stations monthly, the bulk arriving between the first and the seventh of each month. Message recognition and switching procedures have been determined and will be implemented upon receipt of your favorable response to this memorandum. We understand from Messrs. [redacted] and others of your staff that your MAD system can accommodate receipt and forwarding to OJCS file facilities of the messages and that this will involve only minor reprogramming. OJCS personnel have determined that OJCS can accommodate the input in the form and format provided by the MAD system.

4. The target date for implementation of the proposed system is 1 January 1975 with pre-operational test data for the month of December. (The operational target date will have no bearing on your thruput of the data.) Implementation of the procedural changes is being withheld pending receipt of your reply.

Director of Communications

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